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Florida Baptists are holding their
annual convention in Jacksonville.

"Ambassador" Martens has confer-
ed an unwholesome distinction on Tom
Hardwick. He has asked Tom to act
as his counsel.

When the cost of clothing get up
so high people can't buy anything to
wear, what will the dealers in duds
do?

Other parts of the country may
talk about dollar dinners, but in
Ocala you can obtain three square
meals for a dollar.

More and more, northern sportsmen
are beginning to find out that Mar-
ion county is one of the best hunting
and fishing sections in the country.
Everything from a big brown bear to
a tiny dove.

Before you have paid all your
Christmas bills, along comes the gov-
ernment man with significant hints
about what will happen if your in-
come tax isn't paid.

The Tampa Tribune has found a
joker in the "stringent edition" bill.
H'm Some day the people will boil
over with wrath, and jokers and se-
ditionists both will be scalded to
death wholesale.

Gen. Haldeman, national commit-
teeman from Kentucky, now visiting
Florida, thinks Hoover will be a can-
didate for president on the democratic
ticket. What we want to know is
what Hoover thinks about it.

Hi Johnson of California says he
will accept Mr. Wilson's message to
take the peace treaty before the peo-
ple of the United States. Hi is al-
ways rushing in where an angel would
fear to tiptoe.

It is reported that Thorn of the
Palm Beach Post will be a candidate
for legislative honors. If elected, he
will add materially to the wit and
wisdom of our House of Representa-
tives. At present, it is not overstocked
with either.

It would be a mighty good thing
for all railroad men if they would
read the speech made by Senator Un-
derwood of Alabama, to the people of
Birmingham, Jan. 2. Mr. Underwood
spoke in explanation of the Cummins
bill, and plainly showed where a
sympathetic strike would be of the
greatest harm to railroad men as well
as all the rest of the public.

A dispatch from Tallahassee to the
Tampa Tribune says: The governor
today appointed Gordon Hart to suc-
ceed Frank T. Wilson as assistant
state chemist and fertilizer analyst.
Mr. Wilson has resigned to take up
the position of Y. M. C. A. secretary
for Marion county, with headquarters
at Ocala. Mr. Hart was born and
reared in Polk county, is a graduate
of the University of Florida, served
as analyst of the American Expedi-
tionary Forces, Research Laborato-
ries, France.

The office of clerk of the circuit
court is a most important one, and
it is not to be wondered that some of
the most influential men in the county
are reaching out for it. Mr. Nugent,
who is now in the last year of his
second term, and could probably be
elected to a third, declines to run
again. His very efficient young depu-
ty, T. D. Lancaster Jr., who resign-
ed during the war to enter the navy,
and who resumed his position with
the coming of peace, is the leading
candidate. "Ted" is competent and
popular, and is the best bet. Mr. C.
E. Connor, a popular citizen, and well
versed in the clerk's duties, will also
be a candidate. Everybody knows and
likes Mr. Connor, and he will receive
many votes. We are informed that
Gen. Alfred Ayer, our veteran tax as-
sessor, is considering going into the
race. Gen. Ayer is one of the most

faithful public servants the county
has ever had, and his friends are very
numerous. With good wishes for the
two latter-named candidates, the Star
will support Mr. Lancaster. We have
heard that State Senator Crosby has
been urged by many of his friends to
seek this important office. The Star
would advise Mr. Crosby against ac-
ceding to their wishes. He has been
serving in the legislature for a num-
ber of years and is now a holdover
senator. With his experience, he can
do much better work for the county
in the senate than he can in the
clerk's office, and it is his duty to fill
out his term. It is considerably to be
doubted that he could find a man
that could fill his place as senator as
well as he can.

Mr. Frank Adams, who was in town
the other day, definitely says he will
be in the race for the sheriff's office
in the coming primary. Mr. Adams
is a very popular young man. He
had strong support in the last elec-
tion, and since then he has bravely
and faithfully served his country as
a soldier. He was in the thickest and
hottest part of the fighting in France
during the summer and autumn of
1918, and came home with a most hon-
orable record. The Star doesn't ex-
pect to favor any ex-service man for
office just because he was in the ser-
vice, but when all other things are
equal it thinks our soldier and sailor
boys should have the preference. Mr.
Adams is well acquainted with the
duties of a peace officer—he made
good as our city marshal for a num-
ber of months, is now special officer
for the Seaboard and if the people of
Marion county elect him sheriff they
can be sure of having a brave and
vigilant servant.

Adjutant General Catts, who was
here last week, writes the Star that
he will soon send to Ocala an officer
who will make a sustained and sys-
tematic effort to enlist enough men to
form a unit of the national guard.
He also says that he met considerable
encouragement in the towns he vis-
ited during his recent tour. The young
adjutant general is striving faith-
fully to rebuild the guard organization
in this state, and if Congress will do
the right thing we are sure our young
men will patriotically respond to his
efforts.

A dispatch from from San Antonio,
Texas, says: "Luis Cabrera, chief of
the Mexican cabinet, has suggested
the expulsion from Mexico of more
than 200 Americans because they or-
ganized at Tampico a post of the
American Legion, according to word
that reached Charles Scruggs, state
adjutant of the legion. He advised
headquarters of the report."

The average town or city takes
pride in the increasing figures of its
population, but we notice that the
Miami Herald accuses the people of
Miami of being the cause of the de-
cline of the city officials and the
board of trade should help out the
young man now taking the census of
Ocala. He is a stranger, and it will
be easy for him to miss a good many of
our inhabitants unless he has assist-
ance.

Town Made Famous by Oysters.
The oyster season at Colchester,
England, was opened with quaint ce-
remonies. The mayor and corporation
traversed the fishery grounds in a
dredger and the mayor made the first
haul of oysters. The mayor and cor-
poration then consumed gin and gin-
gerbread—a custom which has pre-
vailed since the fishery was first
opened under royal charter in the
reign of Richard I. A telegram ex-
pressing dutiful devotion was sent to
the king at a luncheon afterwards on
Pewitt Island. The early Saxons so
appreciated the Colchester fishery that
they took three oyster knives for their
arms, and this device still forms the
arms of the county of Essex. The
Colchester fishery lost all their con-
tinental customers during the war,
but the British public consumed all
that they could supply. They had
most successful seasons, and were able
to give 40,000 oysters to military hos-
pitals.

In the Earth's Interior.
From the evidence available, R. D.
Oldham traces three divisions in the
earth's interior. The solid outer crust,
with a thickness of 1/2 to 1 per cent of
the radius (or 20 to 40 miles), has
high permanent rigidity, but from un-
known causes has been subject to
deformations, with displacements of
as much as 10 miles vertically and
100 horizontally. The next section,
about half the radius in thickness, has
high rigidity for such stresses as tidal
action with low rigidity for long-con-
tinued stress. The central nucleus
has low rigidity. The conclusions re-
lating to the two inner divisions are
drawn from records of earthquake
waves.

A Green Clerk.
"This lady is looking for rugs. She
says Axminster."
"I'll ask him if I can find him, but
I'm new around here."—Louisville
Courier-Journal.

Their Kind.
"Pop, what are fabricated vessels?"
"I think they are the kind your Un-
cle Henry took his remarkable voy-
ages in, my son."

**W. K. Lane, M. D., Physician and
Surgeon, specialist Eye, Ear, Nose and
Throat. Office over 5 and 10 cent
store, Ocala, Fla.**

Use the Star's Unclassified Column.

A COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM

As the Star said, the other day, a
plan is on foot to make a road district
out of commissioner districts one,
three and five, and thru them build
the Dixie highway, and a state road
from the Putnam to the Sumter coun-
ty line. The Dixie highway is that
road that passes thru our county on
its way from Chicago via Central
Georgia, thru Live Oak, Gainesville
and Ocala into South Florida. It will
be one of the highways of the nation,
and if our county does not build its
section of it, and it is diverted, we
will be off the map, so far as auto
traffic is concerned. The other road
is even more important to state traf-
fic. It is to enter Marion county at
Orange Springs, running southwest,
thru Citra, Sparr and Anthony to
Ocala. It will follow the Dixie high-
way from Ocala to Belleview, and
from Belleview be built on thru Sum-
merfield to the county line near Ox-
ford. It will be the shortest route in
the state from Jacksonville to Tampa.
It is estimated that the two roads will
cost a million dollars, in addition to
the quarter million given by the state
and federal governments.

If these roads are built by the said
road districts, they will be of the
greatest benefit to the entire county,
and we do not think the other two dis-
tricts can consider themselves slight-
ed, as their people will have the same
right to use them as anyone, and as
they will be of great benefit to them.
It is true that it may call on them to
build their own good roads unassisted,
but they can build such roads at a
much less cost.

However, the Star would rather see
an all-county system built by all the
county, and it should be very glad in-
deed to see a gathering of representa-
tive citizens from all over the county,
pledging their precincts to help in the
work and share the benefits.

It is not possible for our people to
build a spider-web of roads all over
the county, running one by almost
every citizen's home. Such a system
would either cost ten million dollars
to build the most scientific and en-
during highways, or it would put down
ordinary lime and clay roads, which
would cost at least a hundred thou-
sand dollars a year to keep in repair.
But we could and should build a sys-
tem of the best roads between the
most important points and thru the
most thickly settled parts of the
county. This could be done by the
following plan:

It is not necessary to change the
Dixie highway. It already follows the
best route. It would save some ex-
pense by going to Summerfield, in-
stead of along the eastern shore of
Lake Weir, but that would deprive not
only the people on its present route of
its use, but the considerable number
that live in the Oklawaha valley from
Electra south.

We think the road proposed from
the Putnam line should go from Or-
ange Springs south thru Bay Lake to
Fort McCoy and from there west by
north to Citra. This would add three
or four miles to it, but Fort McCoy
and adjoining country have a good
many people, while the straight
southwest line from Orange Springs
to Citra has few homes along it. The
balance of the road is all right.

Now if these roads were built and
two others were added to the north-
west and southwest of the county, we
would have a symmetrical road map,
composed of trunk lines that could be
added to as fast as we have the popu-
lation and the money.

The two roads north and southwest
should run as one out the present
Cotton Plant road thru Martel, and
as much further as is practicable.
When they fork, one should run thru
Fellowship and Blitchton to the Levy
county line, along whatever route the
people in that section desire. The
other branch should go to Dunnellon
by the best route.

This would leave out the southeast-
ern part of the county, that beyond
the Oklawaha. This, however, is very
thinly settled at present. That part
which has the most population would
be as close to the main roads as some
of the more thickly settled portions
on this side of the river would be to
their roads. And the road system
proposed would bring people nearer to
them and help them to build up, and
in ten years at most would enable the
county to build a road thru their sec-
tion to the St. Johns—a road that
would take most of the travel from
this part of the state to the coast.

The roads the Star proposes should
be built of the same width and ma-
terial as the Dixie highway, and could
be built, we believe, for a million and
a half dollars. The Star believes that
if a bond issue for such a system is
submitted to the people that they will
vote for it.

MARION-DUNN MASONIC LODGE

Marion-Dunn Lodge No. 19, F. & A.
M., meets on the first and third
Thursday evenings of each month at
7:30 o'clock until further notice.
H. O. Cole, W. M.
Jake Brown, Secretary.

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Ocala Chapter No. 29, O. E. S.,
meets at the Masonic hall the second
and fourth Thursday evenings of each
month at 8 o'clock.
Mrs. Isabel Wesson, W. M.
Mrs. Susan Cook, Secretary.

If it's a Kodak that is wanted, re-
member that Gerig's Drug Store is
the only store in Ocala where you can
get one. All Kodaks are cameras, but
all cameras are NOT Kodaks. 19-tf

MANY FAMILIES ARE UNDERFED

Bureau of Labor Statistics Show
50 Per Cent Don't Eat
Enough.

STUDY THE FAMILY BUDGETS

Gather Considerable Data Showing
Relationship Between the Budget
and the Health of the Family
—Half Are Well Nourished.

Washington.—The bureau of labor
statistics of the United States depart-
ment of labor, in its country-wide in-
vestigation of the cost of living in
1918-1919, secured itemized budgets
from approximately 13,000 families.
Special intensive studies of each of
the major items of expense in the fam-
ily budget have been, or are being
made. Considerable data showing the
relationship between the family bud-
get and the health of the family are
already available.
Detailed dietary analysis of the food
of 983 families, selected at random
from 11 representative cities, indicates
that 21.2 per cent of these families
purchase less than 2,500 calories of
food per man per day; 49 per cent of
these families less than 3,000 calories,
and 74.5 per cent less than 3,500
calories.

Allowing for considerable variation
from the recognized standard of 3,500
calories purchased per man per day,
these figures point to the fact that ap-
proximately 20 per cent of the fam-
ilies are purchasing food entirely in-
sufficient for the maintenance of
health, 30 per cent are on the border
line between sufficient and insufficient
nourishment, and 50 per cent are in
all probabilities well nourished.

A study of the total yearly income in
relation to the food budget also bears
out these conclusions, 44.6 per cent of
the total number of white families in-
cluded in the investigation were re-
ceiving annual incomes of \$1,500 or
more, and were probably getting an
adequate and reasonably balanced
diet, 22.7 per cent of the families were
receiving annual incomes of less than
\$1,200, which is wholly inadequate to
permit of the purchase of sufficient
food for a family of average size, leav-
ing 32.7 per cent of the families in the
income group of \$1,200 to \$1,500, where
the food necessary for an average fam-
ily would be subject to serious curtail-
ment.

Deficient in Milk, Eggs, Fruit.
A sufficient number of calories, how-
ever, does not necessarily mean a well-
balanced ration. Many of the diet-
aries in which 3,500 calories were pur-
chased, were seriously deficient in
milk, eggs, green vegetables and fruit.

From a cursory examination of the
clothing expenditures reported in this
investigation, it was estimated that a
yearly average of \$60 per adult male
would probably result. Further study
has shown that this estimate was too
liberal. During the last two years
clothing purchases have been cut.

A careful study of the clothing bud-
gets of 641 families having children
under fifteen years of age, and living
in Northern cities, shows an average
yearly expenditure of \$68.33 for the
clothing of the husband and \$55.75 for
the wife. In Southern cities, the aver-
age for 207 families, similarly chosen,
shows \$75.59 for the husband and \$62.08
for the wife. While the clothes pur-
chased for these sums may be suffi-
cient to keep the wearer warm, it is
certain that decency and health can-
not be maintained on such a small out-
lay for clothing.

Judged by the standard that over-
crowding begins when there is more
than one person per room, a consid-
erable proportion of the families in-
cluded in this investigation must be
classed as overcrowded. A study has
been made of 2,455 families living in
rented houses in 24 different cities.

Fifty per cent of these had less than
one room per person, 17 per cent had
less than 0.7 of a room per person,
and 8 per cent less than 0.5 of a room
per person. Very little information
was gathered which will give conclu-
sions as to housing conditions from a
sanitary standpoint. In New Orleans,
however, 81 per cent of the 147 white
families included in the investigation
lived in houses without bath rooms.

Miscellaneous items which include
expenditures for care of health, educa-
tion, amusements, insurance premiums
and numerous other items of a miscel-
laneous nature, comprise from 17 to 24
per cent of the family budget, the
amount increasing uniformly with in-
crease in income.

Details From Thirty Cities.

Detailed data on miscellaneous ex-
penses for 30 representative cities
have been compiled. In these various
cities the yearly expenditure per fam-
ily for health, which includes doctor,
dentist, hospital, oculist, medicines
ranged from an average of \$31.27 to
\$92.77, the mean being approximately
\$58.

The corresponding figure on amuse-
ments, which includes movies, plays,
concerts, excursions, vacations, ranged
from an average of \$9.95 to \$35.59 per
year per family, with a mean of be-
tween \$17 and \$18.

The average yearly expenditure per
family for education and uplift, which
includes newspapers, magazines, books,
school tuition, music, ranged from
\$8.87 to \$27.57, the mean being ap-
proximately \$17.



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